

Macon High School Letter

To our County Patrons:

For many years our friends who live close to Macon have patronized the city school and the list of high school graduates will show that a large per cent of them live outside of the separate school district. During the past few years our county patronage has rapidly increased, due to the building of good roads. Last year almost one-fourth of the total enrollment of our school came from the county outside of the separate school district. These pupils stood right in the front in their class work and conduct, and the co-operation of our county patrons was all that could be desired. This year we have worked to the end that we may take care of more of our county pupils and we offer the following inducements:

1. We offer you a graded school that ranks with the best in the state. When our pupils move to other towns and cities they most invariably are advanced in grading, and in no case have we had any who could not keep up with their grades even in larger cities as Meridian and Memphis.

2. We offer you a high school with a sufficient number of high school teachers that we are affiliated with all the state colleges. Our graduates are admitted to the freshman class of all state institutions without examinations.

3. We offer you building, equipment and grounds unsurpassed in the county, and equal to the best in the state with the addition of domestic science which we are adding this year. The building is a splendid brick structure, in good repair, practically fire proof; it is equipped with sanitary water closets; sanitary bubbling fountains; the floors are oiled and the house kept clean by a paid janitor; each room has a library of the best books besides a high school library of about six hundred volumes; and the play grounds are large, well kept and modern.

4. We offer you a splendid faculty of college and university trained teachers with experience. During the past year we have worked especially hard to strengthen our faculty and we believe that we have the best faculty in the history of the school. The high school faculty remains the same as last year with the exception of a domestic science and science teacher who is to be elected this week. Miss Janie Stennis will have the hell and history and Miss Marian Huddleston will have mathematics and latin. Both of these women rank high as instructors and made "good" in other places before coming to Macon. They are trained teachers with several years of successful experience and have spent this summer at Tulane University, New Orleans, in better preparing themselves. The principal will have charge of the higher English work.

Our Primary and Grammar school teachers are also strong. For nine years Miss Lottie Hooper has been primary teacher and her work is unsurpassed by any primary teacher in the state. This year we lost her. She is to spend the session studying in Chicago University. Miss Mai McCracken has been elected to take her place. She has the same reputation in her part of the state that Miss Hooper has in this section. She has taught for a number of years and is considered so efficient by the state department of education that she is assigned to normal work each summer. After several weeks' work in Tulane this summer she had charge of the primary work in the tri-county normal held at Collins, Miss.

Mrs. Evans Dorroh, who has done such good work for several years in the second primary room will have charge of this work again. Those who have had children under her do not hesitate to express themselves as being highly satisfied with their progress and with her instruction. She is energetic, studies her work and measures up with the very best teachers in her field.

Miss Virginia Campbell of Bond, Miss., has been selected to take the place held by Miss Charlotte Stewart who resigned to become Mrs. Ches. Featherston. Miss Campbell has had four years of successful work on the coast. She has taken several terms' work in the Mississippi Normal College. Supt. Guy Dean, under whom Miss Campbell has been working, is so enthusiastic over her work that he recommends her unreservedly, regretting that his county had to give her up. All who have seen her work speak of her in the very highest terms. She was re-elected to her former position when approached about the place in Macon. The "job" sought her instead of her seeking the job. This is the case with every one of our new teachers.

One of the most difficult places in any school is the sixth-seventh grade room. For two years the school authorities have had in mind Miss Lillie Mize for the position, but this is the first year we have been able to secure her services. She is a college graduate with several

years' experience in the sixth and seventh grades. She is one of the best teachers in Mississippi in the higher grammar grades and we feel fortunate in getting her. State Supervisor of Schools J. T. Calhoun, under whom Miss Mize and Miss McCracken taught, says that two better teachers cannot be found in the state.

5. We offer these advantages to you without any cost on your part except that you furnish the transportation for your children. With good roads and the necessity for coming to town almost every day there will be very little extra cost for you to do this. Heretofore we have charged tuition for the months the county schools were not running, but this year we propose to charge no tuition provided you send your children the whole session, starting them when school starts.

In conclusion I wish to thank you for your patronage and co-operation of the past. We wish you to feel that the Macon Graded and High School is your school.

The great movement in school work today is consolidation and with the unity of interests and the advantages that we have in our school we believe that it will soon be seen to be to the interest of town and the rural communities close to Macon to join school forces at Macon, bring in five or six nearby schools into one school here, and have one of the largest and most progressive schools and communities in the country.

Please call on me for any information.

J. L. McMillan,
Supt. Macon Schools.

Letter from Mr. Minor.

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE,
Western Headquarters, Karpen Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Editor of the Beacon:

The western headquarters of the democratic national campaign is now organized and everybody hard at work. Mr. Vance C. McCormick, the national chairman, was here for two days. He is a very attractive man personally, and one can see from his daily statements that he is well fitted for his job. Senator Walsh is equally well fitted for his western work.

I have just mailed out my first week's output. You may have it in the Beacon. This went to 4696 weekly papers, democratic and independent. How many are going to use it we don't know. By request copies were sent to eastern headquarters at New York, and the printers requested to hold the forms as they might want 10,000 copies for their use.

Mr. Cochran, my chief, is an old newspaper man. He has been on St. Louis, Chicago and other papers and is Washington correspondent of the St. Louis Republic and other papers. He is an able man and a hustler.

The other day I paid ten cents to see some war relics. There were French 75 shells, shrapnel, a German war plane that had been wrecked in France, gas masks, Zep bombs and caps and helmets galore, including some of the death-head hussars. There were plenty of rifles, too. And there was a little rag doll without a head, picked up in a Belgian village. Who knows where its little owner is now?

Chicago is certainly an orderly city. I have not been off the main streets any except a little excursion into Chinatown, but I have not seen a single very drunken man and very few at all under the influence of liquor. Nor do you ever see any women on the street who by dress or conduct appear disreputable.

It is really beautiful to see how street and sidewalk traffic is handled at crowded corners. A whistle blows and all traffic north and south across streets stops and everything going east and west surges across, and as soon as congestion is relieved, vice versa. I have not seen any person even get in danger, but Gen. Sterling of Jackson, Miss., was run down and dangerously hurt yesterday. Thursday.

But two or three people are killed in autos every night—joy rides mostly with some other man's wife or some other woman's husband. And one or two people are drowned in the lake every day; sometimes an accident, sometimes suicide.

It is curious, but in talking with Chicagoans I hardly notice the burr in their voices, but over the phone it is horrible. I can't understand them half the time.

The best joke I have heard this week was a man bragging about his brother. Said he was the smartest man in the world. Was making a fortune right now selling pretzels in London. Two Japs sitting near me laughed at this—the first Jap I ever saw laugh. There are plenty of them and of Chinamen here and Syrians, to

Macon Booster

Club Plans to Make the Chataqua a Big Event—Interesting Program Has Been Prepared—Stock Fair to be Feature—Big Crowd Expected.

In one of the most enthusiastic citizens' meetings ever held in Macon the Macon Booster club was organized last Monday morning and plans started to make the Chataqua one of the greatest events in the history of the county. The three days' meeting will mean the mobilization of the county's industrial, educational and social forces for the good of the town and county.

The Booster club has secured the Radcliffe attractions of Washington, D. C., to furnish entertainment for the three days. These entertainers are noted for their work.

To insure the success of the undertaking the Booster club was thoroughly organized and committees appointed to do the work. J. L. McMillan was elected president of the club and J. E. Boggess was elected secretary-treasurer. The Executive committee is composed of the officers of the club and the following gentlemen: E. V. Yates, W. P. Patty, W. M. Lamberson, W. E. Stokes, Rev. E. N. Broyles, A. C. Fant, R. E. V. Yates. The Arrangement committee is Sheriff J. T. McClure, J. E. Dorroh and J. W. Patty. D. D. Patty, J. L. Klaus and D. C. Ferris compose the Advertising committee. Rev. E. N. Broyles, W. E. Stokes and Dr. E. M. Murphy are the Program committee. R. E. V. Yates has charge of the ticket selling business. He is assisted by Supt. J. G. Chandler, Major of the Blues, and John R. Dinsmore, Major of the Reds. All the committees are at work and a successful event is assured.

The whole county is invited to co-operate toward making the gathering of great worth.

say nothing of Greeks, Italians and Hungarians.

Until yesterday (Sunday) I have not had time to digest the political situation. I have written you other things in odd moments and if you publish at all you will have to do lots of editing. The things I wrote about interested me and I thought might interest others. They were written a la Big Bud.

Of course the reports we get are all favorable, but good grounds are given. California is considered probably Wilson. To begin with good independent authorities put 33 per cent of the progressives of 1912 as democrats, practically all of whom will return to the fold; this is the figure for the whole country. In California there is a big fight on between Johnson, the bull moose governor, and the old guard republicans which will help Wilson. In addition the Wilson administration is relied on to get many independent votes by its peace program and other popular policies and legislation.

Then, all assertions in republican papers to the contrary notwithstanding, Hughes' speeches have neither aroused enthusiasm or gained votes. On the contrary, his bitterness has aroused unfavorable criticism even from republicans. The democrats seem the better campaigners; our chairman, McCormick, just lays it over Wilcox every day. But the republicans certainly have the majority of the newspapers, especially the big ones up here and over the west and middle west generally. There are only four democratic dailies in all Minnesota.

I went over on a boat to Michigan City, yesterday. Talked with two men on the boat and one, a democrat, at Michigan City. All agreed that the democrats had the better chance in Illinois and Indiana. They were intelligent business men and their opinions worth so. thing.

The whole question hinges on where the Roosevelt votes of 1912 go. The democrats start with one-third, and this is conservative. A glance over the bull moose leaders who were big republican leaders five years ago, who have come out for Wilson encourages the belief that we have a fair show for a third of the balance. Getting that many and holding the democrats, which we will certainly do, it looks like Wilson will win.

The administration has done so much for the farmer and so much for labor that it is reasonable to expect and we get good evidence that we will get a much larger labor and farmer vote than in 1912.

We also get reliable information that the German-American vote is not near so unanimous for Hughes as is pretended, and a slump our way before November is very likely. And however close the Hungarians and Germans may be in Europe, here, politically at least, they are at loggerheads, and the other foreign vote tends strongly towards the democrats.

In short, at this time, every democrat ought to feel happy over the prospect.

WHY THE PEOPLE OF THE MIDDLE SUPREME COURT DISTRICT SHOULD VOTE FOR

Judge Clayton D. Potter

IN THE SEPTEMBER PRIMARY

Would You Discharge or Displace a Tried, Trusted and Efficient Servant In Your Private Business for No Other Reason Than the Fact That the Other Fellow Wanted the Job?

A Vote for Judge Potter's Opponent, While It Would Be a Compliment To Mr. Ethridge, It Would Necessarily Condemn Judge Potter. A Vote for Judge Potter Will In No Way Reflect Upon the Administration of Mr. Ethridge In His Present Position as Assistant Attorney General. If You Elect Mr. Ethridge, Then Judge Potter is Displaced. If You Elect Judge Potter No One is Displaced, Because Mr. Ethridge Still Holds His Position for Several Years as Assistant Attorney General.

Who Is Judge Clayton D. Potter?

Clayton D. Potter is a Mississippian. He is a graduate of the law department of Millsaps College. He served as State Senator from Hinds County for eight years, making one of the most industrious and substantial and one of the best legislators that Mississippi has had in many years. He was appointed as Supreme Judge after the insertion of the constitutional amendments. This position he now holds.

Judge Clayton D. Potter is a gentleman of intelligence and education; a Christian gentleman; a man of honesty and integrity, who enjoys the confidence and esteem of all the people who know him, both as a private citizen and as a public official.

You Should Vote For Judge Potter in the September Primary, Because:

1st. Judge Potter is thoroughly and particularly equipped and qualified for the position of Judge. He is industrious and diligent, and is a hard worker and capable of attending to the business of the Supreme Court with dispatch and thoroughness. This has been clearly demonstrated by his record as Supreme Judge for the past six months, during which time the Supreme Court has decided over one thousand cases. Some of these cases had been pending several years. The badly congested docket of the Supreme Court has been relieved, as is well known to the litigants, bar and judges of the State.

2d. Judge Potter's friends have noticed with great gratification the endorsements of him as a man and as a citizen, as a legislator and as a judge.

Three Ex-Chief Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of Mississippi have written letters giving their impartial and deliberate opinions as to the qualifications and character of Judge Potter:

Judge J. A. P. Campbell.

Asked for my opinion as to the qualification of Judge Clayton D. Potter for Supreme Judge, my answer is that I intend to vote for him.

J. A. P. CAMPBELL,
(Ex-Chief Justice Mississippi Supreme Court.)

Judge Albert H. Whitfield.

It gives me pleasure to certify that Judge Clayton D. Potter possesses all the qualifications required to constitute him a good Supreme Court Judge. He is very diligent, thoroughly independent and has already made an enviable record. His election would give the State a good judge.

Very truly,
A. H. WHITFIELD,
(Ex-Chief Justice Mississippi Supreme Court.)

Judge Tim E. Cooper.
Judge Clayton D. Potter,
Jackson, Miss.

Dear Sir:
While I am taking no part in the contest for Judge of the Supreme Court in this district, it gives me pleasure to say to you that I have read many of the

opinions delivered by you since your appointment, and have been impressed by the clearness of expression and the ability and judicial poise exhibited. Whether elected as your own successor or not, you will have the comforting reflection that you have discharged while on the bench the duties of that high position with ability and justice.

Very truly yours,
TIM E. COOPER,
(Ex-Chief Justice Mississippi Supreme Court.)

Judge Potter has received a very high tribute from the members of the Jackson Bar with whom he has practiced for many years.

"We, the undersigned members of the Jackson Bar, unreservedly endorse Honorable Clayton D. Potter for Supreme Judge. A man of the highest integrity and of known ability as a lawyer, his decisions during his short incumbency in the office of Supreme Judge have demonstrated his legal learning and ability and that he is fully equipped to discharge the duties of the office to which he aspires. We heartily commend him to the voters of the First (Middle) Supreme Court District: R. H. Thompson, L. Brame, W. H. Watkins, G. G. Lyell, H. V. Watkins, O. H. Flowers, W. B. Banks, Charles W. Crisler, V. J. Stricker, Percy L. Clifton, Phil Christman, E. C. Ward, Louis C. Hallam, G. E. Williams, L. M. Burch, J. H. Howie, J. H. Penix, J. Harvey Thompson, Harmon L. Thompson, Fulton Thompson, James McWillie, Ben H. Wells, Frank Hallam, E. E. Hindman, Luther Manship, J. O. S. Sanders, Jack Thompson, P. H. Eager, Jr., A. F. Watkins, Jr., Geo. W. May, J. S. Rhodes, D. C. Enoch, Geo. Butler.

3d. Judge Potter is now holding the short term, and has made good as a judge.

Judge Edward Mayes, Dean of the legal profession in Mississippi, says of Judge Potter:

"I beg to state that I have observed the work of the Honorable Clayton D. Potter on the Supreme Bench of this State, and that in such work the opinions delivered by him have been well conceived and well expressed, and are creditable to him in his labors as a Judge of that Court."

"EDWARD MAYES."

It is good Democratic precedent that where a man has been chosen to fill a short term in any office, and he is found to be efficient and has made a good officer, to concede to him the election to the office for at least one full term. Judge Potter gave up a lucrative law practice to fill a short term as Supreme Judge. He has made good; and Judge Potter is asking the people of the Middle Supreme Court District to endorse his administration, if they are satisfied that he has performed his duty well, and none deny that he has.

A vote for Judge Potter's opponent, while it would be a compliment to Mr. Ethridge, it would necessarily condemn Judge Potter.

A vote for Judge Potter will in no way reflect upon the administration of Mr. Ethridge as Assistant Attorney General. A vote for Judge Potter will operate to retain Mr. Ethridge in his present position as Assistant Attorney General. If you elect Mr. Ethridge then Judge Potter is displaced. If you elect Judge Potter no one is displaced, because Mr. Ethridge still holds his position for several years as Assistant Attorney General.

4th. Judge Clayton D. Potter is a tried, trusted and efficient Judge of your Supreme Court. If it were not true, you could not get men like Judge Tim E. Cooper, Judge J. A. P. Campbell, Judge Edward Mayes, Judge A. H. Whitfield and the members of the bar to say he was.

What you discharge or displace a tried, trusted and efficient servant in your private business for no other reason than the fact that the other fellow wanted the job?

5th. Judge Potter's record as a legislator shows him to have been connected with some of the most important legislation of recent years; among the measures which he was interested in are the following:

(a) Judge Potter was the author of the Depository law. Instead of the public monies being kept hidden away in the public treasury, it is now deposited throughout the State in all of the banks. This has accomplished a very great good. In addition to this great amount of money being deposited with the banks where it can help general conditions, the municipalities of the State, the counties of the State, and the State itself are receiving very large sums of money annually by way of interest on these deposits.

(b) Judge Potter was the author of the bill abolishing the Fellow Servant Rule. The Fellow Servant Rule allowed no compensation where any other employee's negligence caused the injury.

(c) Judge Potter was the author of the bill doing away with contributory negligence as a defense, which rule allowed no compensation for injuries where the party injured was guilty of slight negligence, although the negligence of the employer mainly caused the injury.

That the friends of Judge Clayton D. Potter are advocating his election on his own merits, with no intention or desire of reflecting upon his opponent, General Ethridge, who is a good man, a good Attorney General, and who will, if allowed to do so, render valuable assistance to the State of Mississippi as Assistant Attorney General for the balance of his term of several years.

Citizens and lawyers of Attala, Bolivar, Hinds, Holmes, Issaquena, Kemper, Lauderdale, Leake, Madison, Neshoba, Newton, Noxubee, Rankin, Scott, Sharkey, Sunflower, Warren, Washington, Winston and Yazoo.

By W. H. WATKINS,
(Chairman Potter's Central Campaign Committee.)

Come to the Big Chataqua in Macon on September 15th, 16th and 18th